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WARTIME KILLINGS, LOOTING

Alim played vital role

Witness tells war crimes tribunal

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

War crimes accused Abdul Alim showed the Hindu villages of Joypurhat to the Pakistani army, allowing them and their collaborators to conduct lootings, torching and mass killings there on April 26, 1971, an eyewitness said yesterday.

The witness saw 26 people getting killed before him on that day.

Molla Shamsul Alam, fourth prosecution witness in the war crimes against Alim, told International Crimes Tribunal-2 that the then Convention Muslim

League leader Alim was also the "leader of the Shanti Committee of Joypurhat".

The 58-year-old businessman said former BNP lawmaker Alim had set up a Razakar recruitment camp at his Joypurhat home and he, some Jamaat-e-Islami leaders and Pakistani Major Afzal "were responsible for the crimes against humanity committed in Joypurhat during the war".

According to prosecution documents, the Razakar and Shanti

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Arakan Road, one of the major thoroughfares in Chittagong, has been in bad shape for years owing to an absence of repair or maintenance. Commuters find it an ordeal travelling on this potholed road every time it rains. The photo was taken yesterday.

PHOTO: PRABIR DAS

Two defence lawyers being harassed

Alleges Bar Council leader

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

Vice Chairman of Bangladesh Bar Council Khandker Mahub Hossain yesterday alleged that law enforcers were harassing two key defence lawyers of International

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Charges against Mueen, Ashraf within 45 days

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The prosecution at the international crimes tribunal yesterday was hopeful about submitting charges of crimes against humanity against suspects Chowdhury Mueen-Uddin and Ashrafuzzaman Khan within 45 days.

A member of the prosecution team made the comment after receiving the

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SONALI BANK LOAN ACC to quiz 11 more 'scamsters'

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

The Anti-Corruption Commission will quiz 11 officials of four companies in connection with their embezzling Tk 900 crore from Sonali Bank.

The companies are and

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Pak teen's attackers identified: minister

AGENCIES

Pakistan has identified the attackers on Malala Yousufzai, a child peace campaigner who was shot by the Taliban on Tuesday, its Interior Minister Rehman Malik said.

"We know when the terrorists had entered Swat," The Dawn quoted Malik, as saying. He, however, avoided disclosing names of the attackers.

Malala was shot and seriously injured in the country's Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province on Tuesday when she was returning from home from school.

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Graft hinders aid flow from US: Mozena

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

US Ambassador Dan Mozena yesterday said corruption is the major problem for Bangladesh in its way to get more US assistance to fight poverty.

Bangladesh's performance is not up to the mark to get fund from the

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Chinese author wins Nobel in literature

NEW YORK TIMES ONLINE

The Swedish Academy announced yesterday that it had awarded the 2012 Nobel Prize in Literature to Chinese author Mo Yan, the cultural high point of a week of accolades to scientists, writers and peacemakers.

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Mo Yan



PHOTO: STAR

BNP Chairperson Khaleda Zia arrives at a Dhaka court for hearing on the framing of charges in the Zia Orphanage Trust graft case yesterday.

EID-UL-AZHA

Advance train tickets from tomorrow

STAFF CORRESPONDENT

With Eid-ul-Azha drawing near, Bangladesh Railway will start selling advance tickets from tomorrow while private launch operators will sell cabin

tickets from Monday.

Although private bus operators started selling advance tickets on Wednesday, the state-run Bangladesh Road Transport

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The Daily Star

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ONLINE POLL

Do you think it is possible to hold JS polls in a fair and peaceful manner without the army deployment?

Yes (53.0%)
No (45.6%)
No Comments! (1.4%)

TOTAL VOTES: 662

TODAY'S POLL

Do you agree with journalist leaders that the home minister's latest remarks on the murder of the journalist couple Sagar and Runi is unclear and misleading?

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